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Dear Mr. To:

Per our telephone conversation on the morning of 9/26/05 and your Office Action Summary dated 9/6/05 please accept the following clarifications to our Patent Application: 10/822,271 for SAFELANDER.

We firmly believe that we have met all of your wishes in such a way as to allow the SAFELANDER patent application to expeditiously transition into a U.S. Patent.

1. PATENT CLAIMS

- a) We withdraw the rejected Claims 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22.
- b) We have made the suggested Examiner Amendment by removing the word "such" in the phrase "such as" when referencing claim 1. The phrase now states "as in claim 1". We still feel, as does the dictionary, that the phrase "such as" denotes a specific item and is similar to "specified – clearly and explicitly stated". This is opposed to "as" which denotes "like". Nevertheless, we have made the claims per your conversation with us. By making this Examiner Amendment we have been told that there is no USPTO fee associated with this minor modification.
- c) We have added a paragraph on page 12 after the completion of all of the claims. This paragraph is identical to the words used in U.S. PATENT # 5,574,648.

It is obvious that minor changes may be made in the form and construction of the invention without departing from the material spirit thereof.
It is not, however, desired to confine the invention to the exact form herein shown and described, but it is desired to include all such as properly come within the scope claimed.

2. BACKGROUND

In the last sentence of the BACKGROUND section (page 4) we have added the word "national and" so that the sentence now reads "providing national and aviation security"

3. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

Under FIG. 2

Although we feel that this section was sufficient to comply with the enablement requirement for one skilled in the art to make and/or use the invention we have clarified it via the addition of words that do not alter the intent or scope of this invention.

The Sensor Multiplexer Transceiver 12 section has words added for clarification on page 6. The description was to make it easier for someone skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the invention. This Sensor Multiplexer Transceiver 12 area is as in the referenced patents U.S. Patents 5,890,079 and 5,974,349.

In a similar manner the Remote Pilot Electronic Interface 13 section has words added for clarification on pages 6 and 7.

Under FIG. 3

Per our telephone conversation, clarification words were added on page 7 concerning the parsing of the data stream via the unique aircraft ID.

4. LASTLY, AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

A concluding paragraph, similar to the last paragraph of the "BACKGROUND" section was added on page 14. This added paragraph has specific references to claims 1-15 and 28-30. It highlights some of the uniqueness of this invention over existing state of the art and prior patents.

Mr. Toe, we hopefully have removed all outstanding issues concerning this patent application in a manner that will allow it to smoothly and expeditiously proceed towards a U.S. Patent.

Sincerely,


Seymour Levine


Leslie Jae Lenell

Enclosed: Modified Patent Application with Modified Claims. All additions shown have been underlined and all deletions are shown with original text slashed.